

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Prefatory Statement of Routine Uses

The following routine uses apply to, and are incorporated by reference into, each system of records set forth below:

Law Enforcement

In the event that a system of records maintained by this agency to carry out its functions indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether civil, criminal or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by general statute or particular program statute, or by regulation, rule or order issued pursuant thereto, the relevant records in the system of records may be referred, as a routine use, to the appropriate agency, whether federal, state, local or foreign, charged with the responsibility of investigating or prosecuting such violation or charged with enforcing or implementing the statute, or rule, regulation or order issued pursuant thereto.

Disclosure When Requesting Information

A record from this system of records may be disclosed as a ``routine use' to a federal, state or local agency maintaining civil, criminal or other relevant enforcement information or other pertinent information, such as current licenses, if necessary to obtain information relevant to an agency decision concerning the hiring or retention of an employee, the issuance of a security clearance, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of a license, grant or other benefit.

Disclosure of Requested Information

A record from this system of records may be disclosed to a federal agency, in response to its request, in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee, the issuance of a security clearance, the reporting of an investigation of an employee, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of a license, grant, or other benefit by the requesting agency, to the extent that the information is relevant and necessary to the requesting agency's decision on the matter. A record from this system of records may be disclosed to a federal, state, local or foreign agency as a ``routine use response to such an agency's request, where there is reason to believe that an individual has violated the law, whether civil, criminal or regulatory in nature, and whether arising by general statute or particular program statute, or by regulation, rule or order issued pursuant thereto, if necessary, and only to the extent necessary, to enable such agency to discharge its responsibilities of investigating or prosecuting such violation or

its responsibilities with enforcing or implementing the statute, or rule, regulation or order issued pursuant thereto. A record from this system of records may be disclosed to a foreign agency as a ``routine response to such an agency's request when the information is necessary for the foreign agency to adjudicate and determine an individual's entitlement to rights and benefits, or obligations owed to the foreign agency, such as information necessary to establish identity or nationality.

Office of Management and Budget

The information contained in this system of records will be disclosed to the Office of Management and Budget in connection with review of private relief legislation as set forth in OMB Circular No. A-19 at any stage of the legislative coordination and clearance process as set forth in that Circular.

Members of Congress

Disclosure may be made to a congressional office from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from the Congressional office made at the request of that individual. Contractor Information from a system of records may be disclosed to anyone who is under contract to the Department of State to fulfill an agency function but only to the extent necessary to fulfill that function. Courts Information from a system of records may be made available to any court of competent jurisdiction, whether Federal, state, local or foreign, when necessary for the litigation and adjudication of a case involving an individual who is the subject of a Departmental record.

National Archives, Government Services Administration

A record from a system of records may be disclosed as a routine use to the National Archives and Records Administration and the General Services Administration: For records management inspections, surveys and studies; following transfer to a Federal records center for storage; and to determine whether such records have sufficient historical or other value to warrant accessioning into the National Archives of the United States.